# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

TRUE VALUE COMPANY, L.L.C., et al.,

Debtors.

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# RESPONSE OF DREW BRADY COMPANY INC. TO THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S ELEVENTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (NON-SUBSTANTIVE)

Drew Brady Company Inc. ("Claimant"), by and through its undersigned representative, respectfully submits this response to the Plan Administrator's Eleventh Omnibus Objection to Claims (Non-Substantive) (the "Objection") and in support thereof states as follows:

### 1. Background

• Claimant: Drew Brady Company Inc.

• Original Claim No.: C337-2988

• Original Claim Amount: \$35,809.80

• Claim Type in Objection: §503(b)(9) Administrative Expense

• Objection Basis: Late-filed claim

# 2. Factual Summary

Claimant shipped goods to True Value Company L.L.C. ("Debtor") after the Petition Date of October 14, 2024. These shipments were made in reliance on an email dated October 17, 2024 from Will Papcke, Sr. Category Strategy Manager at True Value, which explicitly confirmed that invoicing for post-petition shipments would proceed "as normal." See Exhibit A.

The total value of these post-petition shipments is \$35,809.80, all of which were:

- Sold and delivered in the ordinary course of business, and
- Received and accepted by the Debtors post-petition, and
- Shipped **only after explicit written assurance** from a Debtor representative that payment would be made.

Had the Debtors not provided this assurance, Claimant would not have shipped the goods.

# 3. Legal Basis for Allowance

While the original claim was filed under §503(b)(9), Claimant now respectfully requests the Court to allow the claim **under §503(b)(1)(A)**, which permits administrative expense priority for:

"The actual, necessary costs and expenses of preserving the estate."

The Debtors requested and accepted the goods **post-petition** in the ordinary course. These goods were necessary for the continuation of their business and the preservation of estate value. The Claimant relied in good faith on the Debtor's written representation.

#### 4. Alternative Relief

To the extent the Court finds that the requirements of §503(b)(1)(A) are not satisfied, Claimant respectfully requests that the claim be **reclassified as a general unsecured claim**, rather than being expunged.

#### 5. Exhibits

- Exhibit A: Email from Will Papcke, True Value (dated October 17, 2024), confirming post-petition payment assurance.
- Exhibit B: Summary of Invoices (List of post-petition shipments totaling \$35,809.80).

#### 6. Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, Claimant respectfully requests that this Court:

- 1. Overrule the Objection as it pertains to Claim No. C337-2988;
- 2. Allow the claim in the full amount of \$35,809.80 as an administrative expense under \$503(b)(1)(A);
- 3. Alternatively, reclassify the claim as a general unsecured claim;
- 4. Grant such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: June 16, 2025 Respectfully submitted, Drew Brady Company Inc.

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# EXHIBIT A



#### Antonio Orense <antonio@ruia.com>

## True Value outstanding orders to be shipped

'Will Papcke' via Accounting <accounting@ruia.com>

Thu, Oct 17, 2024 at 1:13 PM

Reply-To: Will Papcke < Will.Papcke@truevalue.com>

To: Adam Czajka <adam@ruia.com>, Mike Divito <mike@dasalesgroup.com>

Cc: Ajay Ruia <ajay@ruia.com>, "SHIPPING@RUIA.COM" <SHIPPING@ruia.com>, DBC Accounting

<accounting@ruia.com>

Adam,

Your interpretation is correct and invoicing will progress as normal. There will be an additional communication coming out to all Vendors by tomorrow EOD that states the same.

Appreciate your partnership!

Thank you,

## Will Papcke

Sr. Category Strategy Manager

Lawn and Garden, Grills, Outdoor Power and Outdoor Tools

True Value Company

Will.Papcke@TrueValue.com

C: 224-828-2168

From: Adam Czajka <adam@ruia.com> Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2024 3:10 PM

To: Will Papcke <Will.Papcke@TrueValue.com>; Mike Divito <mike@dasalesgroup.com>

Cc: Ajay Ruia <ajay@ruia.com>; SHIPPING@RUIA.COM; DBC Accounting <accounting@ruia.com>

Subject: True Value outstanding orders to be shipped

Hi Will.

I wanted to check in with you in regards to the orders we have shipping soon to make sure we understand that payments for orders shipped after the bankruptcy filing date will be paid as normal. Is there a different process for invoicing or is it the same bill through True Value until further notice? Please advise asap so we can ship out the orders that are pending. 4/14/25, 12:56 PM Thank you,

Best Regards,

Adam Czajka

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| Hawthorne      | 11/19/2024             | 59935-0328                    | Kootenai Drug True Value           | 177629   | 1ZG191370310052325                                | 025 UPS        | 024 1/13/2025                            | ) 11/14/2024  | 0.00     | dsn 8  | 42711137052858 USD | SI691529 SO24084054 9624HHDB REPLACEMENT | SO24084054                     | 1691529  |
|                | 11/11/2024             | 18917-0000                    | Dublin Agway                       | 229370   | 1ZG191370310051273                                | 025 UPS        | 24 1/6/2025                              | ) 11/7/2024   | 456.00   | 58 USD | 43041035374458     | 102924B                                  | SI675087 SO24067747 102924B    | 1675087  |
| Blazer         | 11/5/2024              | 41004-0000                    | Brooksville Farm Supply            | 233090   | 1ZG191370310046814                                | 12/31/2024 UPS | -  | 11/1/2024     | 456.00   | dSn 6  | 42281804308789 USD | DEALS                                    | SI668769 SO24035676 DEALS      | 1668769  |
| Stockton       | 11/5/2024              | 48453-1299                    | Ben'S Supercenter                  | 214778   | 1ZG191370310046912                                | 12/31/2024 UPS |  | 3 11/1/2024   | 238.68   | 78 USD | 42121602453478 USD | DISC224D                                 | SI668768 SO24035675 DISC224D   | 1668768  |
| Nick           | 11/6/2024              | 54552-1950                    | Park Falls True Value              | 202815   | 1ZG191370310046743                                | 2024 UPS       | 11/1/2024 12/31/2024 UPS                 | -             | 456.00   | 3 USD  | 42121602450563 USD | SI668767 SO24035674 DROPSHIP24           | SO24035674                     | 1668767  |
| Lee            | 11/7/2024              | 84317-9508                    | Southfork Mercantile - Huntsville  | 195844   | 1ZG191370310046878                                | 2024 UPS       | 11/1/2024   12/31/2024 UPS               |               | 106.00   | 16 USD | 42121549520486 USD | SI668766 SO24035673 TRADESHOW            | SO24035673                     | 1668766  |
| Pineo          | 11/7/2024              | 04654-0001                    |                                    | 181746   | 1ZG191370310046823                                | 2024 UPS       | 912.00   11/1/2024   12/31/2024 UPS      | 11/1/20       | 912.00   | 78 USD | 42121549514578 USD | DCDSPR24                                 | SI668765 SO24035672 DCDSPR24   | 1668765  |
| Carroll        | 11/5/2024              | 22601-5914                    | Jno S Solenberger & Co Inc         | 153885   | 1ZG191370310046850                                | 2024 UPS       | 1,074.40   11/1/2024   12/31/2024 UPS    | 11/1/20       |          | 12 USD | 42121533070792 USD | SHOWDS                                   | SI668764 SO24035671 SHOWDS     | 1668764  |
| Henderson      | 11/6/2024              | 04441-3608                    | Indian Hill Trading Post           | 138324   | 1ZG191370310046752                                | 2024 UPS       | 456.00 11/1/2024 12/31/2024 UPS          | 11/1/20       | 456.00   | 4 USD  | 42121533068274 USD | EH0227                                   | SI668763 SO24035670 EH0227     | 1668763  |
| Garden         | 11/5/2024              | 49125-9380                    | Sawyer Garden Center               | 119342   | 1ZG191370310046832                                | 2024 UPS       | 11/1/2024   12/31/2024 UPS               | _             | 478.80   | 13 USD | 42121519274893 USD | 24DSDC                                   | SI668762 SO24035669 24DSDC     | 1668762  |
| Averill        | 11/6/2024              | 04578-4627                    | Ames True Value Hardware & Supply  | 034462   | 1ZG191370310046869                                | 2024 UPS       | 11/1/2024   12/31/2024 UPS               | $\vdash$      | 2,624.00 | 1 USD  | 42121455502821 USD | DISCOUNT2                                | SO24035668 DISCOUNT2           | SI668761 |
| Robert         | 11/5/2024              | 44076-9527                    | Davis True Value Hardware          | 023549   | 1ZG191370310046921                                | 12/31/2024 UPS |  | 11/1/2024     | 694.00   | S USD  | 42121455501365 USD | SHOW                                     | SO24035667 SHOW                | S1668760 |
| Pine           | 11/5/2024              | 12842-0339                    | Pines Country Store Inc            | 151574   | 1ZG191370310048198                                | 12/31/2024 UPS |  | 11/1/2024     | 1,703.20 | 1 USD  | 42081421512071 USD | TIMFS                                    | SO24035573                     | S1668759 |
| Dock           | 11/1/2024              | 48416-9701                    | Ben'S Supercenter                  | 214760   | 1ZG191370310048330                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/30/2024   12/29/2024   UPS            |               | 456.00   | OSD 0. | 42971201259410 USD | DROPSHIP                                 | SO24062132 DROPSHIP            | SI668281 |
|                | 10/31/2024             | 04649-3338                    | Hamilton Marine, Inc.              | 184146   | 1ZG191370310048107                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/28/2024 12/27/2024 UPS                | -             | 1,613.92 | 11 USD | 42831525391701 USD | 218367SA                                 | SO24054194 218367SA            | SI667257 |
|                | 10/21/2024             | 04654-0001                    | Pineo'S True Value                 | 181746   | 1ZG191370310046298                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                |               | 912.00   | 12 USD | 42831149573782 USD | SI658878 SO24054149 DCDSFALL24           | SO24054149                     | 1658878  |
| Receiving Cart | 10/17/2024             | 01050-9777                    | Gateway Farm & Pet                 | 216831   | 1ZG191370310046270                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS            | 10/15/20      | 456.00   | 17 USD | 42831134396037 USD | 10022024                                 | SI658877 SO24054140 10022024   | 1658877  |
| Adam           | 10/18/2024 Adams       | 10941                         |                                    | 234783   | 1ZG191370310039617                                | 2024 UPS       | 2,278.80   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      | 2,278.80 | 12 USD | 42711137053682 USD | SI658876 SO24052361 WALLRILL24           | SO24052361                     | 1658876  |
| Cratty         | 10/18/2024 Cratty      | 59935-0328                    | Kootenai Drug True Value           | 177629   | 1ZG191370310039831                                | 2024 UPS       | 1,431.20   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      | 1,431.20 | dSn 8  | 42711137052858 USD | 9624HHDB                                 | SI658875 SO24052360 9624HHDB   | 1658875  |
| Nick S         | 10/18/2024 Nick Smith  | 12550-5006                    |                                    |          | 1ZG191370310040070                                | 2024 UPS       | 3,616.40   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      |          | 12 USD | 42711137052032 USD | ERICFALL                                 | SI658874 SO24052359 ERICFALL   | 1658874  |
| Alber          | 10/21/2024 Albert      | 12590-4923                    |                                    |          | 1ZG191370310039500                                | 2024 UPS       | 2,141.20   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      |          | OSU 0. | 42711137051210 USD | TVFU24                                   | SI658873   SO24052358   TVFU24 | 1658873  |
| Mike           | 10/18/2024   Mike D    | 12603-2057                    | Adams Fairacre Farms H&Gs          |          | 1ZG191370310039475                                | 2024 UPS       | 3,185.20   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      | Н        | 1 USD  | 42711137050381 USD | POK24                                    | SI658872 SO24052357 POK24      | 1658872  |
|                | 10/17/2024             | 11901-0000                    | Talmage Farm Agway                 |          | 1ZG191370310039715                                | 2024 UPS       | 1,062.00   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      |          | 15 USD | 42711137049545 USD | TVSHOW                                   | SI658871 SO24052356 TVSHOW     | 1658871  |
| Carls Pharmacy | 10/17/2024             | 81611-1929                    | Miners Bldg. True Value            | 107035   | 1ZG191370310039984                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                |               | 628.80   | USD 8  | 42711137048708 USD | SO24052355 TVSHOW9924                    | SO24052355                     | SI658870 |
| Adams          | 10/18/2024             | 12449-5407                    | Adams Fairacre Farms H&Gs          | 120504   | 1ZG191370310039895                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                | _             | 2,363.60 | dSn 9  | 42711137047876 USD | DBFR                                     | SO24052354                     | S1658869 |
|                | 10/21/2024             | 69033-3155                    | Owens True Value Hdwe              | 106714   | 1ZG191370310039751                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                | -             | 410.40   | OSD 0  | 42711049294720 USD | FALL24                                   | SO24052353                     | S1658868 |
| King           | 10/21/2024             | 84741-3608                    | Lumber Plus True Value Hardware    | 142409   | 1ZG191370310039699                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                | _             | 408.00   | USD 71 | 42711049293897 USD | WINTER                                   | SO24052352                     | SI658867 |
| Emen           | 10/21/2024             | 95428-9617                    | M&M True Value Hardware            | 087775   | 1ZG191370310039680                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                | _             |          | 13 USD | 42711049293013     | REUNION1                                 | SO24052351 REUNION1            | S1658866 |
| Clark          | 10/17/2024             | 46036-2229                    | Tops Home Center - Elwood In       | 119698   | 1ZG191370310039671                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                | _             | 408.00   | 18 USD | 42711049292188 USD | 55SHWL                                   | SO24052350   55SHWL            | S1658865 |
| Schmitt        | 10/17/2024             | 55309-0000                    |                                    |          | 1ZG191370310039626                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                |               | 130.00   | 2 USD  | 42711049291322 USD | REUNION                                  | SI658864 SO24052349 REUNION    | 1658864  |
|                | 10/17/2024             | 16148-2746                    |                                    | 140361   | 1ZG191370310039653                                | 2024 UPS       | 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS                |               | 942.40   | 15 USD | 42711049290495 USD | 13584                                    | SI658863 SO24052348 13584      | 1658863  |
| Holod          | 10/17/2024             | 19444-1711                    |                                    | 068197   | 1ZG191370310039788                                | 2024 UPS       | 1,176.00   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS | 10/15/20      | 1,176.00 | 3 USD  | 42751117333753 USD | SHOW24                                   | SI658862 SO24052347 SHOW24     | 1658862  |
| Chris          | 10/18/2024   Christine | 02653                         | Store#(21128-9) - Agway Of Orleans | 211289   | 1ZG191370310039948                                | 2024 UPS       | 236.00   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS   | 10/15/20      | 236.00   | S USD  | 42711049288845 USD | SI658861 SO24052346 ORLDCITYDS           | SO24052346                     | 1658861  |
| Karl           | 10/18/2024             | 02660-3055                    | Agway Of Cape Cod                  | 206519   | 1ZG191370310039911                                | 2024 UPS       | 236.00   10/15/2024   12/14/2024   UPS   | 10/15/20      |          | OSD 0  | 42711049288020 USD | REUNION2                                 | SI658860 SO24052345 REUNION2   | 1658860  |
| Mog            | 10/17/2024 Mogan       | 80828-2216                    | Hoffman Drug True Value Hardware   | 164999   | 1ZG191370310039859                                | 2024 UPS       | 1,654.80 10/15/2024 12/14/2024 UPS       | 10/15/20      |          | 7 USD  | 42711049287167 USD | REUNION2                                 | SI658859 SO24052344 REUNION2   | 1658859  |
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